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Applicant:

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For:

PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATION COMPRISING CLODRONATE

AS ACTIVE INGREDIENT AND SILICIFIED

MICROCRYSTALLINE CELLULOSE AS EXCIPIENT

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

March 22, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2001, the period for response having been extended two (2) months, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

## In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 25, with the following replacement paragraph:

--Tablets were prepared with the following composition per tablet:

Disodium clodronate tetrahydrate 1000 mg responding

anhydrous disodium clodronate 800 mg

Silicified microcrystalline cellulose 205 mg

Croscarmellose sodium 22 mg

Stearic Acid 15 mg

-- Magnesium stearate 8 mg--

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